

CLEAN BOATING HABITS

California is a boating mecca with 3,427 miles of coastal and tidal shoreline, 5,000 lakes, 2,600 miles of inland waterways, and one of the nation's most spectacular settings for boating, fishing, sailing, windsurfing and water skiing. It's no wonder there are nearly one million registered vessels in California.

Boaters play an important role in the health of California's waterways and share responsibility for their protection. Boat sewage, graywater, cleaning products, spilled fuel and oil, trash and aquatic nuisance species are potential sources of pollution.

Government alone cannot protect California's environment. Each of us must take responsibility for pollution prevention. This guide can help you to minimize the environmental and public health impacts from your boating activities.